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Hon. Laura Taylor Swain United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007 Via ECF

> United States v. Sydney Scales 19 Cr. 96 (LTS)

Dear Judge Swain:

Please accept this letter as an application, pertaining to the Scales defense team, for an order relieving my full time associate counsel, Ying Stafford, Esq. from the Scales case.

Your Honor recently relieved my office from representing Mr. Scales, as well as relieving lead counsel Richard Rosenberg, Esq. When both of us were originally appointed, Your Honor, at our reqest, appointed two associate counsel for us, Ms. Stafford for me and Ms. Calhous for Mr. Rosenberg. Mr. Rosenberg has moved to have his associate relieved.

I have just spoken to Justine Harris, Esq., one of the attorneys who has substituted for me. She advises that she has no need for Ms. Stafford to continue. Ms. Stafford agrees that there is no reason to continue on the matter, particularly since I have been relieved for the reasons stated under seal, on the record. Thank you for your consideration. I remain

The regrest 15 granted.

Mr. Stafford 11 relieved as associate counsel for Mr. Scales.

Respectfully, GRGoltzer George R. Goltzer

SO ORDERED:

HON-LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN
TATES DISTRICT JUDGE